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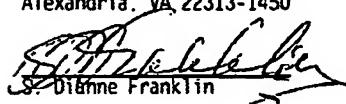
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This is a request for filing a

Continuation Divisional

application under 37 CFR 1.53(b), of pending prior application Serial Number 10/385,811
filed on March 11, 2003, which is a Division of application Serial Number 09/862,052
filed on May 21, 2001, now U.S. Patent No. 6,561,299 issued May 13, 2003, which is a Division of U.S.
Patent Application No. 09/207,911 filed on December 9, 1998, now U.S. Patent No. 6,257,363 issued on
July 10, 2001.

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ASSIGNMENT INFORMATION FOR PUBLICATION:

Assignee: NSK AUTOLIV CO., LTD.

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entitled: AUTOMOTIVE PASSENGER RESTRAINT AND PROTECTION APPARATUS

1a. Enclosed is specification, claims and drawings of the continuation or divisional application
with a copy of the Oath or Declaration in the prior application.

1b. Enclosed is a copy of the prior application including a copy of the Oath or Declaration.

1c. A Preliminary Amendment is enclosed.

1d. Paper entitled Deletion of Inventor(s) Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.63(d)(2).

2. FEE: The filing fee is calculated below:

Claims as filed, less any claims cancelled by amendment herewith:

	Number Filed	Number Extra	Rate	Calculations
Total Claims	<u>17</u> -20 =	<u>0</u> x	\$18.00 =	\$ _____
Independent Claims	<u>2</u> - 3 =	<u>0</u> x	\$86.00 =	\$ _____
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS			+ \$290.00 =	\$ _____
			BASIC FEE	\$ 770.00
			Total of above Calculations	\$ _____

3. [X] To the extent not tendered by check, authorization is given to charge any fees under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17 during pendency of the application, or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 06-1378. Duplicate copy of this letter is enclosed.

4. [X] A check in the amount of \$ 770.00 is enclosed.

5. [] Cancel claims _____

6. [] Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence: This is a [] continuation, [] division of application Serial Number _____ filed _____.

7. [X] New formal drawings are enclosed. 50 Sheets, Figs. 1-52

8. [X] The prior application is assigned to NSK AUTOLIV CO., LTD., Kanagawa, Japan

9. [] Copies of Verified Statement(s) claiming Small Entity Status filed in said application Serial No. _____. Small entity status is still proper and desired.

10. [X] Incorporation by Reference: The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which a copy of the oath or declaration is supplied under Box 1a or 1b, is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein.

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12a. [X] The power appears in the original papers of the prior application.

12b. [] Since the power does not appear in the original papers, a copy of the power in the prior application is enclosed.

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14. [] Priority claim (35 USC 119) is made based upon

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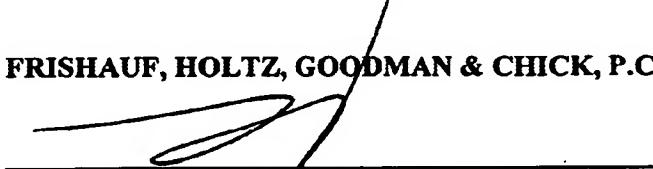
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